

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Matthias Elmore R13965

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State of South Carolina Newberry District

On this 23rd day of April in the year of our Lord 1833, personally appeared in open Court before the Honorable Josiah J. Evans one of the Judges of the Court of General Sessions and Common Pleas of the said State, and presiding Judge of said Court now in session for the said District, Matthias Elmore Senior a resident of Spartanburg District in the State aforesaid aged 77 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7, 1832: that he was born in the State of North Carolina and he believes in the neighborhood of New Garden Guilford County, in the year 1755: that he has no record of his age, and his only knowledge and information on that subject is his recollection of what his mother has told him. When called into service, he was living in Newberry County (now District) in the State of South Carolina he has lived in the said District from the close of the Revolutionary War, until about 12 years ago when he removed to Spartanburg District where he now resides, although at present and for some months past he has been in Newberry District on a visit to his children and friends. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein after stated: he entered the service as a volunteer (or as it was then called under an enlistment) in the Regiment commanded by Colonel John Thomas, in the company commanded by Captain Smith, he cannot tell the precise time when he entered the service but he believes it was in the year 1781. He entered the service as a soldier but was by the order of Colonel directed to take charge of said baggage wagon, which he accordingly did: that he joined the main body of the troops, below where Columbia is now situated in the neighborhood of Fort Granby: that he remained in that section of country during his whole term of service: that he was in no action while in service: that he was in service for 12 months. He was never discharged: but received a furlough until called for from an officer whose name he does not recollect. There are no persons now alive who can speak as to his services. He refers to the Reverend William Harmon and Henry Boozer who have known him for many years and who can testify as to his character for veracity and his good behavior and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the Pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed in open court the day and year aforesaid
S/ Young John Harrington, Clk, N. District

S/ Matthias Elmore



[William Harmon, a clergyman, and Henry Boozer gave the standard supporting affidavit.]